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RE: FOIA Request No. 2019-03-162

Dear Ms. Lipton:

On March 25, 2019, the Office of the Chief Counsel - FOIA and Transparency Services received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request under 5 U.S.C. 552 to obtain materials related to the funding, staffing, and activities of the United States Mint FOIA office. No fees will be charged for processing your request.

1. Budget materials for the years 2017, 2018, and 2019, all budget materials or plans applicable to offices responsible for processing and response to FOIA requests and appeals submitted to the United States Mint and its offices.

There are no records responsive to this request.

2. Staffing orders/reports/contacts for the years 2017 and 2018, staffing reports and plans, including the count of employees and for offices responsible for processing and responding to FOIA requests and appeals submitted to the United States Mint and its offices.

There are no responsive records for staffing orders for the 2017 and 2018.

The 2017 and 2018 Annual FOIA Reports contain a staffing report on FOIA Personnel and costs and contacts:

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https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/236/Treasury-Annual-FOIA-Report-FY18.pdf

3. All staffing reports and plans for the year 2019.

There are no records responsive to this request.

4. Contact information, including email addresses and phone numbers for each FOIA officer currently tasked with an open public records request.

There are no records responsive to this request.

5. FOIA requester categories for the years 2017 and 2018, the designated category of each requester of a FOIA request to this office, including those assigned to the following categories: commercial; educational and noncommercial scientific institutions; representative of news media requester; all other requesters.

There are no records responsive to this request.

6. FOIA fee waivers for the years 2017, 2018. The number of fee waivers granted by this office and, if available, the tracking numbers for the FOIA requests to which waivers were granted.

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7. FOIA fee collection: For the years 2017 and 2018, any report capturing the following information:

Total estimated processing and copy fees quoted to FOIA requesters. Total processing and copy fees collected by this Bureau from each fee category.

There are no records responsive to the request for total estimated processing and copy fees quoted.

There are no records responsive to this request based on fee category.

Total processing and copy fees collected by the United States Mint can be found in the Annual FOIA Report.

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Should you disagree with this FOIA determination, you may appeal this decision within 90 days from the date of this letter. Your appeal must be in writing, signed by you, and should be addressed to: Mr. David J. Ryder, Director, United States Mint, 8th Floor, 801-9th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20220. The appeal should reasonably describe the records requested, and should specify the date of the initial request and date of this initial

determination. The appeal should also include any supporting arguments as to why you believe the records denied should be released, and should set forth the address where you wish to be notified of the decision on appeal.

In addition, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman, offers mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. Contact information for OGIS is set forth below:

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and Records Administration
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College Park, MD 20740-6001
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Sincerely,





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